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FROM TEXAS.

New Boston, April 19, 1903.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Many of my friends and readers of The News will expect to hear from me while in the West, and knowing that disappointment is too common in these days of push and vim, I will, therefore, devote a short time, each week, in giving a brief letter for publication.

Mr. Garnett and myself arrived in Texarkana Wednesday at 9:30 P. M., and on the following morning I came to this town while he went direct to Dallas. We came over the Cotton Belt road from Memphis, and while I had often heard of the Arkansas swamps I really had no conception of their immensity, but a day's ride over that road will reveal the fact that Arkansas is the wettest land in all the country. If Pine Bluff Arkansas had been selected as the Capital of the Confederate States instead of Richmond, Va., President Jeff Davis and his cabinet would have been in a much safer place from the attack of the enemy. He might have been routed, but it would have swamped the whole Union army.

Neither Mr. Garnett nor myself desire to spend much time in such lowlands. I am now in the Capital City of Bowie county, Tex., a border county, bounded on the North by the Indian Territory, on the East by Arkansas. This town is comparatively new, having been made the county seat about ten years ago, and now has a population of 1,800 people with a healthy growth and doing a thriving business.

The Court-House is built over the stob that marked the geographical center of the county as established by the surveyor. It is twenty-two miles West of Texarkana and in a beautiful prairie about ten miles long and four wide. This section is regarded a thin country compared with the black lands further West, but it is a fine fruit country and well watered. The land here produces from five to eight barrels of corn, sixty to seventy bushels of oats and from one-half to three-fourths bales of cotton, and one of the good features in raising cotton here is that the boll worm has never bothered in this part of the State. The soil is sandy backed up with clay bottom, and evidence of prosperity is seen in every section. Good lands, desirable homes can be purchased here at from \$5.00 to \$15.00 per acre.

I will spend two or three more days in this country, visiting my relatives and old Virginia friends. I find my relatives here carrying the chief characteristic of the old family of Virginia, enjoying life and making merry with friends. The Harris family of this county is headed by John C. Harris, an uncle of mine, who is now in his 83rd year of life and showing as much vitality as many men at fifty. This is said to be an unusually healthy locality and the many strong men and beautiful ladies are evidence of its correctness, besides the many who have nearly reached the 100th mark. There is a man living near here 102 years old and still goes without a cane. It is stated that a short time ago a certain man in this section met an old gentleman, or rather a man of seventy-five; who was crying and he asked the troubled soul what was wrong. The reply was as follows: "My father whipped me for sassing my grandfather this morning."

Just now the wind is carrying a small amount of sand, but it is not really disagreeable. I have been out in the country for several miles and I find many places where a road machine would do good work and should be used. One thing I admire here is that all the streams on the public roads are bridged. In going ten miles I crossed seven bridges. This section is peopled by the Southern States and old Virginia seems to be in the lead. I have a very nearly every body I have met here are you from? and only found three of our native Texans as old as fifty.

With good wishes for all, I close to get to West and drop in a few lines next week from some other station.

C. S. HARRIS.

NEW R. R. BEING BUILT.

Over 8,500 miles of new road under construction this year over 5,000 are being built in the interest of eighteen companies, indicating that the larger portion of new work is being carried on by the great systems. The Rock Island

system has 450 miles under contract, in addition to many extensions which have been located, some of which will be built this year.

The St. Louis and San Francisco has 755 miles under contract with numerous other extensions surveyed. While the consolidation of these two systems will prevent the construction of some of these lines projected, it will hardly affect any of the work already under way.

The Missouri Pacific is another system which is building extensively. It has 491 miles under construction in Louisiana, Arkansas and Missouri, and has much other important work laid out. The Wabash which, with the Missouri Pacific, belongs to the Gould system, has 288 miles under contract or ready for bids on its Eastern extension, with surveys in progress on the remaining links necessary to complete its line through to the Atlantic coast. The Missouri Kansas and Texas is building 364 miles of a new line, most of which is located in Oklahoma and the Indian Territories and the Santa Fe system has 296 miles contract in Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona, with a still larger mileage than any other group, and the fact that 4,227 miles, or nearly one-half of the mileage under contract, is credited to this group, indicates that this percentage will be increased this year. In Oklahoma and Indian Territories work is in progress on more than 1,400 miles of roads, all but 367 miles of which are being built in the interest of the Rock Island, the Santa Fe, the St. Louis and San Francisco and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas. In Texas over 1,000 miles are under contract, while Missouri has 681 miles, Arkansas 500 miles, New Mexico 300 miles under way.

ANEAT PROGRAM.

Now that the Dedication Ceremonies of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition (the World's Fair) are close at hand, the public is commencing to wonder what St. Louis has to offer in the way of entertainment to out-of-town visitors.

The Henderson Route (which is The World's Fair Line) has gotten out a very neat booklet, vest-pocket size, which contains the complete official program of these ceremonies.

It is a modern piece of work in every respect, printed in green and red with gray antique cover and high grade enameled book stock inside.

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L. J. IRWIN,

Gen'l Passenger Agent,

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Louisville, Ky.

KENTUCKY FAIRS.

Richmond, July 13, 6 days.
Crab Orchard, July 22, 4 days.
Georgetown, July 28, 4 days.
Cynthiana, July 29, 4 days.
Guthrie, July 29, 4 days.
Danville, August 4, 4 days.
Maysonville, August 4, 4 days.
Lexington, August 10, 6 days.
Fern Creek, August 18, 4 days.
Lawrenceburg, August 18, 4 days.
Shepherdsville, August 18, 4 days.
Maysville, August 19, 4 days.
Liberty, August 19 to 21.
Shelbyville, August 25, four days.
Bardonia, September 1, 5 days.
Nicholasville, September 1, 4 days.
Somerset, Sept. 1, 2, 3, 4.
Elizabethtown, September 8, 4 days.
Bowling Green September 15, 4 days.
Kentucky State Fair, Owensboro September 21, 6 days.
Henderson, September 29, 5 days.

The deed to the land on which the Lindsey-Wilson Training School will be located has been made and the purchase price paid. The plans for the building have been adopted, bids are being received and the contract will be let at once. The contract price of the building will have to be paid, in installments, within the next six months, and unless people who have subscribed pay up their subscriptions at once we will have to borrow money and pledge their notes to secure same. If you are loyal to the cause pay up your subscription at once and don't wait for the settlements to become due. Pay at least one half of it now. By order of the Executive Committee, N. M. TUTT, Treasurer.

A double wedding took place in Hopkins county last week. The contracting parties were Mr. S. D. Rinebaker and Miss Nellie G. Sandifer, Mr. J. A. Rinebaker and Miss Annie B. Sandifer. The bridegrooms are brothers and brides are sisters.

GENERAL NEWS.

William Cartmel, of Rushville, Ind., committed suicide by hanging.

The Southern Baptist Convention will meet at Savannah, Ga., beginning May 8th.

Reports that the Crown Prince and Princess of Saxony are to be remarried are denied.

Fire in the Beaumont, Texas, oil fields caused a loss of between \$800,000 and \$1,000,000.

The Governor of Minnesota and President Roosevelt got their overcoats exchanged the other day and the Governor, on thrusting his hand in the pocket, was alarmed, when it came in contact with a big pistol. It belonged to the President, who smiled at the Governor's fear.

The information is furnished that it is contemplated to do away entirely with the denominational character of the University of Chicago. The idea is to change the charter so as to remove all mention of Baptists, to remove the Divinity School that shall be undenominational.

The annual report of the steel trust shows after making all deductions from the gross income there was a net profit of over \$90,000,000 for the year. The trust distributed about \$60,000,000 in dividends, and added over \$30,000,000 to its surplus. In figuring the actual profits of this giant combine, calculations must be made for the "wage" included in the capital stock. Take the watered stock out, and the profits of the actual investment would be enormous. The consumers foot the bill.

THE MAN BEHIND THE GUN.

As the strength of a chain is measured by its weakest link, so the strength of a navy is gauged, not by its armament and mechanical perfection, but by the capacity of its crews to fight their ships. After all is said, it is the man behind the gun who wins our Cavities and Santiagos. That fleet whose gunners are most proficient in marksmanship has a battle half won, whatever the disparity of displacement, armor and armament in the enemy's favor.

Recently a distinguished German military authority criticized the American navy, chiefly on the ground that its crews were not homogeneous. Because the citizens of the United States are of composite nationality in point of birth or descent, this minion of the Kaiser implied that American men-of-war's crews are riff-raff, without patriotism or adequate training or capacity to be trained. We hope this knowing foreigner, and other foreigners who are slow to appreciate the magnificent development of Uncle Sam's navy, will read the technical report of the target practice of the American fleet off Pensacola, Fla. Doubtless they will marvel that a heterogeneous navy can shoot so deadly well!

In the recent target practice referred to, the battleship Illinois broke the world's record with the thirteen-inch guns, and the gunners of the Iowa established a new world's record with the six-pounders. They made thirty successive hits out of thirty shots, at a range of 1,700 yards, with the ship steaming along at twelve knots an hour and the target stationary. To add to the remarkableness of the performance, the score was not made by a single gun crew, but by three gun crews making ten shots each, which goes to prove that the yankee gunners are all "onto their jobs." The record cannot be duplicated by the crack marksmen of any foreign battle ship afloat.

No small degree of the strength and pride of the American navy is in the jackie whose weather eye is trained to draw a bead on the vitals of an enemy's hull and send her to Davy Jones' locker before her conning tower dandies know her range has been got. This eagle-eyed and steel-nerved man behind the gun may have been born in "bloomin' England or Bingen-on-the-Rhine, or his ancestors may have fought under Lord Cornwallis or Frederick the Great. He may not be at all "homogeneous" in that sense, but what he can do with a six-pounder is a caution. And as for his Americanism, his proud allegiance is to the flag fluttering overhead. It matters not whence they came or what their blood: the men who man the ships of the American navy are every inch Americans.—Atlanta Constitution.

The third week in August has been the date of Columbia Fair for years.

MURDERED.

News of the horrible murder of Mrs. Frank Matthews and her little daughter, Allene, at Shreveport, La., reached this city Saturday morning and plunged the relatives and friends of the Hicks family into deep grief. The details of the crime are too horrible to relate.

The residence of Mr. Matthews is situated in the city of Shreveport, and there were fifteen persons in the house. The discovery of the crime was made by a servant who entered the bedroom at 5:30 Saturday morning. The entrance of the assailant was through a side window. A bloody axe was the mute witness of the means of the murder. Mrs. Matthews had been dead several hours; the child was living but her skull was fractured, her chest crushed and shoulder lacerated. Valuable jewels and three purses containing money were untouched by the murderer, showing that criminal assault furnished the motive for the awful crime.

Blood hounds were put upon the trail. A negro well known in the city was found a few miles away covered with blood. When accosted by officers he made a desperate dash for a ravine and was shot to death by pursuers. His body was afterwards burned in the street by an infuriated mob.

The body of Mrs. Matthews will be brought to Somerset for burial to-day. She was the eldest daughter of the late Judge Simeon Hicks, and was raised and married in this city. Her husband is a civil engineer of prominence and was absent on duty at Alexandria, on the Seaboard Air Line. Her mother, Mrs. Mary Hicks, of this city, was preparing to leave for a visit to her daughter when the message came which announced her death.

Mrs. Matthews was a beautiful and highly accomplished woman and was appreciated in the best society of Shreveport, her tragic death causing great excitement and gloom in the city. In Somerset there is but one sentiment of the deepest horror and sympathy.

The brothers of the murdered woman are all prominent men in their respective homes, rendering this characteristic crime of the south one of far-reaching effect upon that phase of the negro problem of the south so poorly understood in other sections of our country. Mr. R. C. Hicks is commercial agent of the Seaboard Air Line, of Birmingham. Mr. Charles Hicks, late of St. Louis, is traveling freight agent of the Seaboard, with headquarters in New York. Mr. S. W. Hicks is a prominent citizen and merchant of Somerset, well-known among public men of the state.—Somerset Journal.

SOME DIFFERENCE.

Girls do not know, or did you ever stop to think, that more than half the young fellows who try to make a mash on you would rather help you to go to hell than to assist you to rise in the world and become a virtuous woman? It's a fact; brutal as it is, and though it may be hard to say. The young man who approaches you with respect may not be as flip as the other fellow, but you may be sure his intentions are good and that he had rather help you to be a good girl than lead you to be a bad one. The young man whose motives are honest will not make cracks at you on the streets nor use language in your presence that would cause a really modest lady blush. The young man who works, hustles, pays his debts, and acts like a gentleman, is the man for you. The young man who never works—except when he works somebody a loan—but always looks nice, spends his days in idle josh and his nights over a game he can never learn to play, makes cracks at you in public and gabs about how you are stuck on him to his associates, is a fellow to keep away from. If you don't think this advice worth anything wait a few days and maybe you'll change your mind.—Mason Democrat.

WASTED ENERGY.

Remember that "the mill will never grind with the water that has passed." You start out in life with a certain amount of energy; you can use it for farming, teaching, practicing law or medicine, or selling goods. If, however, you allow a multitude of little leaks in your reservoir to drain off your supply, you will be surprised at the small amount of water which runs over the wheel to turn life's machinery.—to actually do life's work.—Success.

HIGHLAND VIEW STOCK FARM

PRODUCED

Gazette, 2:07; Norvidine, 2:18; Beauty Spot, 2:14; King Alvaro, 2:16; Onnita, [8 year old] 2:19; Conquerer, 2:16.

SEASON 1903.

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